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SUBJ: UNCTAD: THIRD AD HOC GROUP OF EXPERTS ON RESTRICTIVE
BUSINESS PRACTICES MEETINGS MAY 16-24, 1977

1. SUBJECT GROUP MET IN GENEVA ON THE ABOVE DATES. ITS
AGENDA WAS AS EXPECTED, WITH PRIMARY EMPHASIS ON PRINCIPLES
AND RULES FOR THE CONTROL OF RBPS. AT GROUP B REQUEST,
ONE DAY WAS RESERVED FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA ITEMS
DEALING WITH SUPPLY, COLLECTION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION
AND ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONCERNING RBPS. NO DISCUSSION
WAS HELD ON THE ITEM DEALING WITH MODEL LAW. SECRETARIAT
REAFFIRMED ITS INTENTION TO PRESENT A DRAFT MODEL LAW AT THE
NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP.

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2. PROGRESS WAS SLOW AND DIFFICULT. NO AGREEMENT WAS
REACHED ON ANY OF THE AGENDA ITEMS DEALING WITH INFORMATION
ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. ON THE AGENDA ITEM DEALING WITH
PRINCIPLES FOR THE CONTROL OF RBPS, THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT
ON DEFINITIONS OF RBPS OR ENTERPRISES OR ON THE SCOPE OF
APPLICATION OF THE PRINCIPLES. EIGHT PRINCIPLES WERE AGREED

UPON WITH SOME BRACKETED LANGUAGE. THE AGREED ITEMS DEALT WITH BROAD TOPICS. PRINCIPAL AREAS OF DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN GROUP B AND G-77 INCLUDED WHETHER THE CONCEPT OF COMPETITION AS WELL AS "ABUSE OF ADAMANT POSITION" SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN THE DEFINITION OF RBPS; WHETHER DIFFERENTIAL AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN RBP MATTERS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ENTERPRISES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; AND WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT INTRA-ENTERPRISE PRACTICES OF TNC'S SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS RBPS.

3. TEXT OF THE DRAFT REPORT IS BEING CARRIED TO WASHINGTON BY USDEL. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP IS SCHEDULED FOR OCT 3-11, 1977. GROUP RECOMMENDED TO THE COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURERS THAT THERE BE AT LEAST TWO ADDITIONAL MEETINGS IN 1978. USDEL SUGGESTS THAT THOROUGH PREPARATION FOR THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE NEEDED, BOTH ON THE SUBSTANCE AND THE FORM OF THE DOCUMENTS TO BE DISCUSSED. GROUP B DELEGATES GENERALLY AGREED THAT ADDITIONAL PREPARATORY SESSIONS PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETINGS SHOULD BE HELD. EXACT DATES FOR SUCH PREPARATORY SESSIONS ARE TO BE ARRANGED AT OECD RBP MEETINGS MAY 26 AND 27. SORENSON

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